February

Colds and chills are prevalent, and unless the system is strong enough to throw them off, serious illness, often ending in pneumonia and death, result.

The Cause

Of colds, chills and attendant dangers is found in the blood, poisoned by uric acid, which should be expelled by the kid-

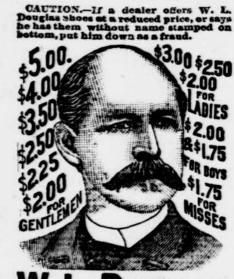
The Effect

Of this kidney-poisoned blood is far-reaching. Health and strength are impossible while it exists. The system is being continually weakened, leaving it open to the ravages of colds, chills, pneumonia and fevers.

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ANOTHER LECTURE TO LADIES.



Builders' Exchange Hall was crowded last evening to suffocation with some of the best people in hington, drawn there to witness the grandest exhibition of healing the sick by vital magnetism that ever took place. People suffering with all sorts of diseases were taken upon the stage and quickly relieved. One lady, who had a large goitre, with which she had suffered twenty years, was treated. But before the doctor touched it he invited several ladies and gentlemen to examine it. treated it about four minutes, and all that was left was the loose flesh where the tumor had been. An old colored woman had been lame from paralysis and rheumatism for years. She was

street are crowded by those who are able and villing to pay to be cured. On Wednesday, Febmary 21, Dr. Damon will give a special lecture at the above hall to ladies only, at 2:30 o'clock. This lecture will be filustrated by charts, and will be

THE TROLLEY'S NEW TERROR

Underground Metal Pipes Ruined and the Water and Gas Systems of the City Imperiled.

Philadelphia.

lence of The Evening Star. Special Corres PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 17, 1894. A new danger threatening Philadelphia and every other city in the Union on which trolley cars are run is just now occupying the attention of local engineers. It is claimed that the effect of the trolley on the underground metal pipes, imperiling the water and gas systems and causing enor-

mous expense to taxpayers. William McDevitt is electrical inspector for the Philadelphia fire underwriters and or the Philadelphia fire patrol. As a practical expert in electrical work he is regarded as one of the best. He has studied the various systems in use in this country and abroad, and in pursuing his investigations he has visited every large city in America and Europe. Upon Mr. McDevitt's return from his last trip he made a careful report of his observations of underground electrical currents upon gas and water systems. According to this report the great network of underground pipes, upon which every city depends for its water, was threatened with destruction by subterranean electric

currents. In explaining the escape of electric cur-rents from the trolley rails, Mr. McDevitt said to a Star reporter: "The tracks upon which the troiley cars run are charged with electricity of, we will say, 500 volts. That is what 's termed high tension, 150 volts being low tension, and the strength of the current used varying between these ex-tremes. If you will notice the laying of the tracks you will see that where the rails are oined they are riveted with iron plates, and after that they are wired together. It is necessary to keep the connection be-tween the rails, otherwise the currents will be destroyed. The iron plates in themselves are not sufficient, and for that reason the wire reinforcement is used.

"Notwithstanding these double precau-tions, however, it is not long before the

expansion and contraction impairs the connections between the rails, and a portion of the electricity escapes into the ground. The ground is a very good conductor, and the electric current that escapes into it is therefore carried along. Wet ground is a better conductor than dry. The current will run along one stratum of made ground until it nears a stratum of earth that is more dry, when it will turn from it and jump into the pipes. In running along in this way the electric current comes in con-tact with some of the numerous underground pipes used to convey our supply of water and gas.
"Now what is called electrolysis takes

place. This action is similar to corro-sion, but more speedy in its action, and it is only a question of time when the pipes must go. Curiously enough, the place where the pipes give way and break is at the very point where the erratic electric current leaves them, not where it first strikes. Of course the pipes are affected all along the length of exposure to the current, but invariably the vulnerable point is where

the electricity jumps off.

"The trolley men all over the country have exhausted their ingenuity in devising schemes to protect the connections between the rails. It may be said that it is practically impossible to do this. The electricity will escape at the fastenings connecting the rails and strike off into the ground in "The time it takes to eat up and destroy

the pipes varies, of course, but a year is sufficient to do the damage. I found such to be the case in Boston. You will see the same result in Philadelphia, for the pipes will invariably give way, entailing enormous expense in continuous repairs."

THE MANASSAS CRIMINALS. White, One of the Men, Will Have a

New Trial. Advices from Manassas, Va., state that Ben White, one of the two young negroes sentenced to death in the county court there last week on a charge of criminally assaulting Mrs. Elliott, one of the two white women who were outraged by White and his condemned companion, Jim Robinson, near Manassas on the 13th of last month, will be

granted a new trial. The day White's case was called his counsel moved for a trial in the circuit court, but the motion was over-ruled on the ground that the law permitting a defendant to elect between the county and circuit court had been repealed. Since the trial, it is understood, it has been discovered that the law was in force on that day, and hence the condemned man will be given a new trial, probably some time next month, before the circuit court.

A FATHER'S CRUELTY.

A Case Which Led to a Police Officer's Dismissal.

A story of great cruelty to children, in which it is charged an officer of the police force grossly neglected his duty by allowing the culprit to escape, has been brought to the attention of the Commissioners, and the officer promptly removed.

It seems the attention of the police was called to a case of cruelty to children by a citizen at house 1140 16th street, occupied by Clarence Woodruff, wife and two children. Private McGrann was detailed to look into the case, and although he found

look into the case, and although he found the facts as stated, failed to arrest the father, who acknowledged doing the beating, and allowed him to escape.

Charges were preferred against McGrann, and the trial board fined him \$25, but Maj. Moore recommended that he be removed from the force, and the Commissioners promptly acquiesced. A picture of one of the children accompanies the papers, and shows a sweet baby face horribly mangled. shows a sweet baby face horribly mangled. This is what Lieut. Boyle reported of the

"I visited the house, 1140 16th street, and saw the children. The oldest, a boy three and a half years old, had both eyes black and closed, and the left side of his face below the eye had the appearance of being scalded or burnt (the child said his father put him on the stove), his legs and body were covered with black bruises, and when asked if his father kicked him said 'yes.' asked if his father kicked him said 'yes.'
The other child, a boy of fourteen months
eld, was bruised about the legs, body and
face, and on the right side of the face was
a place nearly as large as a half dollar
which had all the appearance of a bruise."
Woodruff is still at large, although the
police are keeping a sharp lookout for him.

Good Templars' Meeting. The attendance upon Perseverance Lodge

of Good Templars at its meeting on last seating capacity of Elks' Hall. During the business session much practical temperance and routine work was accomplished. Two new members were initiated and several applications were appropriately referred. During the social session the lodge enjoyed a piano solo, by Miss Hahn; vocal solos, by Miss Ella Mundell and Mrs. Gury, and recitations by Profs. Ogle and Porcher. The musical and literary program being concluded, the inner man was cared for at a huge lunch party, at which each lady provided lunch for two. The public meeting held under the auspices of Perseverance Lodge at Good Templars' Hall, corner 41-2 street and Pennsylvania avenue, was at-tended by an interested audience, and during the program of the meeting several young men signed the total abstinence pledge. During the interesting lecture by Mrs. D.

The Patent Office Arrears.

IN HOTEL CORRIDORS.

Seated around a table in a rear room of

the Normandle last night were Messrs. A Discovery That Has Just Been Made at John B. Allen, Andrew Reid, John Stephens Mrs. Manning's Handsome Luncheon in and Alfred Slater, all of New Jersey. They were part of a delegation of flax, hemp and jute workers, who have been here some days endeavoring to secure more protection the Wilson bill as it went to the Senate Their toil-worn palms and blunted fingers prove that they are tollers and not walking delegates. They met with no encouragement from the subcommittee of the Senate finance committee, which has the bill in

is a little trust out west, composed of two American beauty roses. or three mills, which does manufacture The Brazilian minister bagging and forces the farmer to pay through the nose. We have been met on all sides with the assurance that the Sen-ators were sorry for us, but that the fardo with the farmer than with any other American consumer of such products. Of the 65,000 people engaged in the industry 40,000 are now idle, the mills having closed down in fear of the tariff. Those of us who have work are laboring on only two-thirds time. If the schedule goes through unchaned the wages of our most skilled operatives will be reduced to \$4 a week, and no white man can live on it."

"The destruction of the fair buildings by fire is regretable from an artistic or senti-mental standpoint," said Mr. John D. Ham-lin of Chicago at the Arlington, "but it was very lucky for the stockholders. The build-ings were fully insured, or nearly so. If they had remained standing they would have been nearly a dead weight upon their owners. They could not have been sold for the cost of the lumber in them, and as revenue producers they would have been very expensive failures. As it is, the stockholders will get something like their ap-proximate value. One or two attempts to proximate value. One or two attempts to fire the remaining buildings have been made. Of course there have been light rumors. There always are in such cases, but wise men take no stock in them. There is one thing about Chicago that the outside world possibly does not appreciate: Every man, woman and child in it is heartly tired of Columbus and everything that has the Columbian tang. Steele Mark value in the performance.

Mrs. Yale is visiting her parents at 912 l5th street, and will be with Mrs. McCulloch on Wednesday from 3 to 6 o'clock.

Mrs. George Rollings, formerly Miss Scott, has returned to the city and will be pleased to see her friends on Thursdays, 1145 21st street northwest.

Dr. and Mrs. E. Megrim McComas were Columbian tang. Steele Mackaye's lates: enterprise, the 'Scenatorium,' a successor to his uncompleted 'Spectatorium,' has failed, because it gave scenes from the life of Columbus, including, of course, the incvita-ble landing and meeting with the axestricken but joyful Indians. The people simply would not pay to see it."

"Silver has gone down to comparatively nothing," said Mr. Nathan Hargas, an American resident of Paso del Norte, Mex., at the National, "but gold has not and it never will. The gold miner who has pay dirt and plenty of water is the miner who has pay makes the money now and will hereafter. There are plenty of unexplored gold fields in the world and phenomenal strikes will be made for a century to come. So far as the North American continent is concerned, it has been pretty well dug over, but there is one part of it that in my opinion is the future gold bearer of this hemisphere. I refer to the Yaqui country in northern Mexrefer to the Yaqui country in northern Mexico. The Yaqui live amid mountains that are a part of the great Sierra Madre or "Mother Mountain" range, and their hills and valleys have been hitherto inaccessible to American white men on account of their to American white men on account of their to American white men on account of their to the country of their to the Yaqui country in northern Mexico. State the American white men on account of their to the country in northern Mexico. The Yaqui country in northern Mexico. The to American white men on account of their inceasing wars with the Mexican government. They are a shapely, intelligent, light-skinned and light-eyed race, unconquered and unconquerable. They are peaceable enough when let alone, but they permit the enough when let alone, but they permit the entrance of a number of Apaches, who are anything else. Gold ornaments are very common among them, and they make no secret of the possession of mines of fabulous richness, which they will not sell, nor work themselves, nor permit to be worked. The Yaqui river forks into three prongs a little way below its head, opening out like the sticks of a lady's fan. I used to know an old German miner named Fischer, who an old German miner named Fischer, who made his way to the middle branch, re-mained a winter and spring, washing on the banks of the middle branch, and returned to civilization with some thousands of dollars' worth of dust, which he had packed on a worth or dust, which he had packed on a burro. He lost it in speculation, and made another venture. He never came back, and his secret dies with him. Some day that country will swarm with the Anglo-Saxon, who is a man you cannot keep down if get-ting up will allow him to lay his hand upon wealth."

Seated in the rotunda of the Normandie Seated in the rotunda of the Normandie last night were ex-Senator Paddock of Nebraska and Senator Hunton of Virginia. They were engaged in low and earnest converse. Near them was Mr. Mclihenny. Mr. Mclihenny has a dog—a Scotch terrier of superhuman intelligence—named "Robert." "Robert!" said Mr. Mclihenny in a loud "Robert!" said Mr. McIlhenny in a loud voice, and the two Senators looked around.

"Robert, how is Senator Hill?" The dog stood upon his hind legs and ject. waltzed gaily about, holding his head upon one side and having in his eyes a look of companyons about the companyons are companyons about the companyons are companyons as a companyon and the companyons are companyons as a companyon and the companyon are companyons as a companyon and the companyon are companyons as a companyon and the companyon are companyon as a companyon are companyon as a companyon and the companyon are companyon as a companyon and the companyon are companyon as a companyon are companyon as a companyon and the companyon are companyon as a companyon and companyon are companyon as a companyon are companyon as a companyon and companyon are companyon as a companyon and companyon are companyon and companyon are companyon and companyon are companyon and co

one side and having in his eyes a look of joyous abandon.

"Robert, how is Mr. Peckham?"

He dropped to four feet, gazed mournfully at his master, and suddenly flopped upon his back and held his legs stiffly in the air, playing dead as a stone.

"Knocked out, eh?" said Mr. McIhenny. It is thought that Mr. Hunton voted for the Peckham confirmation. The others laughed, but a shade of annoyance crossed his face. "You ought to take that dog to

laughed, but a shade of annoyance crossed his face. "You ought to take that dog to the north end of the Capitol," he said; "he would make a first-class Senator."

Proprietor Gibbs of the Wormley is in constant communication with Mr. Nicholas Engel, president of the New York Beefsteak Club, which proposes entertaining forty Gridironers at that hostelry on the 24th instant. Mr. Engel, accompanied by many of his fellow conspirators, will arrive on the 23d. They will do the cooking rive on the 23d. They will do the cooking themselves, and will bring their meats with them. It has been suggested that they could find as good beef in Washington as in any city of the country, but they will not have it so. Their steaks are purchased some days in advance, and submitted to a course of mysterious preparation which is popularly supposed to include incantations by the high priest, and morning, noon and right prayers by the faithful. The Beefsteakers are practical jokers, and it may be their purpose to serve the Washingtonians with papier mache imitations of the genuine article. An extra large time is expected, and no police will be allowed in side the building.

Capt. Jack Adams of Boston, commanderin-chief of the Grand Army of the Repub-lic, is at the Wormley. He is on his annual tour of inspection. Tonight he will be given a very elaborate banquet at the hotel by his Washington comrades, and some of the most distinguished men in the city are ex-

In that room of Chamberlin's which is between the hotel office and the dining room proper "Buffalo Bill" sat last night at the head of a long table. Something like a dozen gentlemen, many of whose names are known everywhere, were listening to him. In the rich, racy and expressive dia-lect of the west, which, after all, is the true American language, he was telling them strange tales of life upon the prairies from paralysis and rheumatism for years. She was cured almost before she could realize it. When the found she could use her limbs again she ran up and down the stage shouting: "Thank God, I am cured." Some twenty or more were quickly relieved of their sufferings by this God-given power, as wielded by Dr. Damon and associate.

Every day the doctor's new offices at 608 12th first are crowded by these who are able and cured. But the interesting lecture by Mrs. D. Clinton Smith she sang several temperance and the scarred slopes of the Rockies—tales of life upon the prairies and the scarred slopes of the Rockies—tales of life upon the prairies and the scarred slopes of the Rockies—tales of life upon the prairies and the scarred slopes of the Rockies—tales of life upon the prairies and the scarred slopes of the Rockies—tales of life upon the prairies and the scarred slopes of the Rockies—tales of life upon the prairies and the scarred slopes of the Rockies—tales of life upon the prairies and the scarred slopes of the Rockies—tales of life upon the prairies and the scarred slopes of the Rockies—tales of life upon the prairies and the scarred slopes of the Rockies—tales of life upon the prairies and the scarred slopes of the Rockies—tales of life upon the prairies and the scarred slopes of the Rockies—tales of life upon the prairies and the scarred slopes of the Rockies—tales of life upon the prairies and the scarred slopes of the Rockies—tales of life upon the prairies and the scarred slopes of the Rockies—tales of life upon the prairies and the scarred slopes of the Rockies—tales of life upon the prairies and the scarred slopes of the Rockies—tales of life upon the prairies and the scarred slopes of the Rockies—tales of life upon the prairies and the scarred slopes of the Rockies—tales and the scarred slopes of the Rockies—tales of life upon the prairies and the scarred slopes of the Rockies—tales and the scarred slopes of the Rockies—tales and the scarred slopes of the Rockies—tales and the scarred slopes of the Roc east, whose lives have been spent in the great centers of trade. They heard him with breathless interest, and the yellow That the work of the patent office is less in arrears than at any time in the past seven or eight years is shown by a statement prepared by Assistant Commissioner Fisher. It shows that while seven years ago one division was between six and seven months in arrears, now the greatest arrearments.

With breathless interest, and the yellow wine stood untasted in the glasses. Cody is perceptibly older than when in Washington last. To put it gently, he is not so young as he used to be. He has, however, the same appreciation of a good time, the same cordial manners and the yellow wine stood untasted in the glasses. Cody is perceptibly older than when in Washington last. To put it gently, he is not so young as he used to be. He has, however, the same appreciation of a good time, the same cordial manners and the yellow wine stood untasted in the glasses. Cody is perceptibly older than when in Washington last. To put it gently, he is not so young as he used to be. He has, however, the same appreciation of a good time, the same cordial manners and the yellow wine stood untasted in the glasses.

IN THE SOCIAL WORLD

Honor of Mrs. Cleveland. for their industry than is accorded it by Other Entertainments-Lenten Diversions of an Informal

Nature.

Mrs. Manning gave a luncheon on Saturcharge, and have turned their efforts in an- day in honor of Mrs. Cleveland, which other direction. They have made an active was considered one of the handsomest occanvass of the Senate with a view to hav- casions at which the mistress of the White ing the bill recommitted to the dnance com- House has been entertained this winter. mittee, with instructions to give hearings The table was laid in the middle parlor of to representatives of all branches of manu- the Vermont avenue suite at the Arlingstreets will be the speedy destruction of all facturing. Senator Aldrich has assured them ton. It was simply heaped with Parma that such a motion would meet with hearty | violets and insertions of violet ribbons. The support, and they claim Senator Hill as one corsage bouquets of violets had streamer of their warmest avocates. As the bill is ends of violet ribbons. To meet Mrs. Cleveset to be called up next Tuesday they expect that the motion to recommit will be including Mrs. Gresham, Mrs. Carlisle and made upon that day. They are very con- others in the cabinet circle, Mrs. Romero fident of success. They say that a majority and some others of the diplomatic corps, of the finance committee would like the red and several among the residents. Mrs. commitment. Mr. Allen, their spokesman, said: "The trouble has been that we were unable to get Senators to understand our business. They seemed to think that it consisted of making bagging for cotton bales possible by her friends. Manning will remain at the Arlington till the end of the present week, and, as usual,

and sacks for wheat, corn and oats.

That, in reality, is a very small part of on Saturday, entertaining a dozen ladies. it—quite an unimportant one. The misap-prehension arose from the fact that there

The Brazilian minister and Mrs. de Mendonca entertained at dinner on Saturday the French ambassador, the German ambassador, the Mexican minister and Mme. mer must be given a fair show. Most of the minister of the Netherlands, the jute, flax and hemp industry of the east consists of cordage. We make fine threads, binding twine and things of that sort. The commonest form of our linen thread sells for \$1 a pound. We have no more to do with the former threads. jamin Constant, Mr. Oscar do Amaral, and

Mr. Mario de Mendonca. One of the features of "Mustapha," the comic opera to be given next Monday even-ing by the Paint and Powder Club of Bal-timore, which the audience would probably timore, which the audience would probably enjoy quite as well as the play itself, is the "dresser" that each young gentleman actor has for the evening. This all important person is either his sister or his mother, and they alone are let into the secret of the processes by which a dazzling oriental complexion or any other kind desired is secured, the last fascinating touch given to the costumes, which are easy to put on, and the young men saved from becoming driveling idiots in adjusting all the furbelows on some of the more complicated getups. Those who have watched this part of the performance say it is as funny as the play itself The actors, and their mothers and sisters, and all their admirers will come over in a special the early evenwill come over in a special the early even-ing of the performance.

Dr. and Mrs. E. Megrim McComas were at home informally on Thursday evening and were assisted in welcoming the guests by the Misses Frayner of Hagerstown, Md., and the Misses Lewis. Among those pres-ent were: Mr. and Mrs. Ernest McComas, Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Boyde and Mrs. and Miss Lee of Stanford, Conn.

Mrs. Henrietta L. King is lying ill at the

Gray, Schmid, Brown, Sands, Hopkins, Barbour, Wright, Baier, Michier, Colton, McCauley, Gallau-det, Aukam, Emory, Baum, Smith, Walker, and Masters Bell, Hiss, Gordon, Newton, McKay, Britton, Robbins, Pierce, Burritt, Tuckerman, Chandler, Bright, Gardner, Elkins, jr., Strong, jr., Schmid, Clymer, Hop-kins; Mrs. Wm. S. Teel, in memoriam Chas. S. Teel; Mrs. Thomas Wilson, in memoriam Violet Robinson; Archibald Hopkins, jr., in memoriam.

their subscriptions as soon as possible. The fund for the Contagious Hospital is now \$8,770.97, invested at 5 per cent, beside a large sum held for it by the Norwood Institute. As soon as the District Commissioners will select a site the hospital, so sadly needed, will be built.

The B. and O. Co.'s Position. To the Editor of The Evening Star:

Your editorial in The Star of the 16th in reference to the Baltimore and Ohio Raiload Company's false pretenses, that it is the disagreement of the citizens that has caused the delay in the change of their tracks, is exactly right and true.

It was astounding to hear their attorney make such a statement, but no more so than his quick adoption of the suggestion of the chairman of the committee that Congress has no right to legislate on the sub-

This same claim was made by the gas company some years ago, that while Congress might charter another or competing company, it could not regulate the existing company or fix the price of gas, but the gas company abandoned that pretense at the investigation in 1886, as I apprehend the railroad company will if the question can ever be brought fairly before Congress or

the courts.

It is, however, evident, as shown by your correspondent C. M. C. was the case in the gas investigation, that there is little hope of anything being done in the matter; that every suggestion on the part of the company and the committee so far squints at delay on one excuse or another, the last be-ing on the part of the company the disagreement of the citizens as to the plan, and now for the first time raised by any one, the absence of power on the part of Congress to act at all in the matter. In-deed, in answer to a question or suggestion by a member of the committee that the company stood on its "vested rights" in ac-cordance with the doctrine laid down in the old Dartmouth College decision, the attor-ney for the company said "that was it exactly," and that they denied the right of Congress or any other power to interfere. I venture to predict now that at the close of the session the matter will be no nearer a settlement than it now is, unless the Sen-

ate committee agrees to such plan as the rallroad company demands.

In view of the outery of politicians, when addressing the "dear people" on the stump, against the impositions and insolence of the corporations, it is marvelous to see how, year after year, these railroad corporations control the action or prevent action by Congress. Even more astounding was the statement

of the attorney in reply to the showing as to the number of persons killed and injured that it was the people's fault and not that of the railroad company's.

It is astounding, in view of the fact that this matter has been so long before Congress, and in view of the fact that the company admits the evil of its present grade

crossings, and that at most its present "vested rights" will terminate in 1910, that instead of a determined effort to remedy the difficulties and settle the matter permanently for the benefit of the company, as well as the citizens, there seem to be only excuses for further delay, but so it the present time February 17, 1894.

Emperor William is to take supper with Bismarck in Friedrichsruhe this evening.

Benson's in arrears than at any sime in the past seven or eight years is shown by a stated many interesting to every woman in Washington.

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FISHING IN THE POTOMAC.

The Season Opens With Promise, but Two of Them Who Made a Demand on Protecting Laws Are Needed.

fish in the waters within the District limits will have to be stopped. During recent years the white and yellow perch have been taken from the District waters, the spawnof small fish have thus been destroyed, while the black bass have been taken in such numbers that Fish Commissioner Mc-Donald thinks it useless to stock any more tributaries of the Potomac. Last year some of the creeks were stocked, but this spring the nets are taken them from the waters and at times they are as cheap as yellow perch. It is stated that at one haul in the waters of the District, only a few days ago, one hundred and ninety-six small bass were caught and were sold at the rate of twenty-five cents a bunch. Seldom a day passes that some fine fish of this kind are not landed at the river front. Last week twenty-nine bass, some weighing as much as five pounds, were brought here on the steamer Macalester. Most of them were caught at the mouth of Pohick creek, just below Mount Vernon, where so many bass are caught in nets every spring. Most of them were alive when they reached here in barrels with other fish, "And," said In-spector Harris to a Star reporter this morning, "they would make one hungry to look

The Catch Falls Off.

Even the men who fish the lower Potomac are anxious about the passage of the bill in the House, for, by raking the spawning grounds each year, the fish are materially lessened, and their work down the river is not so lucrative. Just now, white perch are coming from Potomac creek, forty miles down the river, and they are as fine as any street. fish of this variety ever brought here. Yellow perch are also being caught down the river, and they, too, are of good quality. Several nets are now being operated in the District, and yellow perch of small size and catfish are being caught in large numbers. The shad and herring season is now open-ing in earnest. Local fishermen will soon begin the operation of their nets. Last week 10,000 herring were caught and brought to this city, in addition to those shipped to Alexandria, but there were but few shad. Herring were caught as early as the first week in January, but they al-ways appear some weeks in advance of

The oyster season is fast drawing to a close, as the fish season progresses. This winter the receipt of oysters has been much larger than it has been for many years, and Inspector Harris says that the bivalves have been of a better quality. Soon the demand for the oysters will begin to de-crease, and then the oyster boats will go in the fish business, and later on they will bring up fruit from the farms along the

Important to Pensioners The pension agent in this city desires that

the attention of pensioners be called to a recent regulation of the Secretary of the Interior, which requires that after the 1st of March next the vouchers of pensioners who sign by mark shall be witnessed by the signature of two witnesses in their own handwriting, and, in every case, the signature of the pensioner to each receipt attached to the voucher, whether written or by mark, must be attested by at least one witness in his or her proper handwriting, it, however, being competent for the officer before whom the voucher is executed to attest the signature of the pensioner to the receipt.

Neither the pension agent nor any clerk

employed by him can appear as a witness in either the voucher or the receipts. Under these regulations it will be necessary pensioners who are paid at the agency in person, especially those who sign by mark, to produce two witnesses who can write, thereby avoiding the confusion and delay during payment.

The Case of Mrs. Hart.

The case of Mrs. Ernest Hart of Philacontract law in bringing to this country four Irish weavers to work in ex-Postmas ter General Wanamaker's establishment in Philadelphia, is attracting the attention of the treasury officials. The minutes of the examination held by Dr. Senner, immigration commissioner of New York, have reached the department. Mrs. Hart also came over from Philadelphia and had several conferences with Superintentent Stamp of the immigration bureau and Assistant Secretary Hamlin. Superintendent Stamp went over the record sent by Ir. Senner very thoroughly, and after hearing Mrs. Hart's story, he decided to send the case to Commissioner. Because the Bulleting State of the Commissioner. Commissioner Rogers at Philadelphia fo-further examination and report. It will therefore be several days before any final action is taken.

Smuggled Sheep Seized.

The Treasury Department has received a eport of the seizure of nearly 20,000 sheep which had been smuggled across the Mexican frontier, so it is said, by the firm of J. B. Dawson & Sons. The operation began with the regular importation in the district with the regular importation in the district of El Paso, Texas, of 4,500 lambs upon which duty of \$3,500 was paid, and continued in some mysterious way for several months, through Texas, New Mexico and Arizona until the herd reached the immense proportions of 20,000 sheep, of which the treasury agents are satisfied that all but treasury agents are satisfied that all but the original 4,500 were smuggled in from Mexican territory. The recovery of the sheep was a most stupendous undertaking, attended with many hardships and dangers. The case is now pending before the federal court of Las Vegas, and if decided in favor of the government will add the snug sum of \$40,000 to the cash balance of the treas-

Hebrew Convention at Baltimore. The Independent Order of the Sons of Benjamin convened in eleventh session at Baltimore yesterday. Nearly three hundred delegates were present from all over the United States and Canada. F. C. La-Baltimore and was responded to by Grand Master Ferdinand Levy, city register of New York. The order numbers 15,000 members, and since its organization has paid tailed in the malt makes it so. One dozen bottles of the genuine JOHANN HOFF'S MALT EXtrobe, mayor, welcomed the convention to bers, and since its organization has paid endowments amounting to \$1,219,769. The election for grand master and deputy grand master resulted in the re-election of Mr. Levy by a vote of 157 to 74 for B. Rosenberthal of New York, and of A. A. Rosenberg of New York, vice B. Rosenthal, by a vote of 115 to 107. A committee was appointed to control the reserve fund, which now amounts to \$88,635.29, and which is to be increased to \$100,000. increased to \$100,000.

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SUSPICIOUS TRAMPS.

an Old Gentleman. Persons interested in the Potomac fisher-

In the Police Court this morning there es are anxious to see the House pass the was the usual Monday morning array of bill introduced for the protection of the prisoners, who were charged with all sorts fish. The bill, as heretofore printed in The of minor offenses. There were in the pro-Star, has passed the Senate and should it cession the usual number of tramps and pass the House and receive the President's persons who do not belong here. They signature, the work of destroying the young were chraged with being vagrants and disorderly persons, and there were as many excuses as there were prisoners.

Philip Turner was the name given by one young man, who said he came here from ing grounds of the Potomac, and millions Fall River, Mass., looking for work. But he was not in search of empolyment Saturday night when he appeared on Pennsylvania avenue with a companion, and did the best he could to get some funds from

Mr. Marquis Whiteside, an aged man, was selected as their victim, and their conduct made him think that they wanted to jostle made him think that they wanted to jostle and rob him. The two men separated, and after walking against him Turner made a request for money, and this he followed by a demand. Mr. Whiteside, however, was not to be frigntened so easily, and, seeing the boldness of the men, he told them that he would stay with them, intending to have them arrested. From point to point he followed them, until they separated, and finally Turner was grabbed by a number of citizens, who turned him over to Policeman citizens, who turned him over to Policeman McCort.
"If I had a pistol," said the prisoner to

"If I had a pistol," said the prisoner to the officer, "I would blow your brains out." When the station house was reached the prisoner showed fight, and had to be knocked down before he could be searched. He had 50 cents in his pocket.

"The best thing you can do," said the judge to him, "is to go to work. You were not looking for a job when you acted in such a manner on Pennsylvania avenue."

He was given ninety days on the farm

He was given ninety days on the farm and ten days in jail.

Another stranger, who gave a fictitious name, was accused of being a vagrant, because he had been found begging on the "I was begging for a chew of tobacco,"

"I was begging for a chew of tobacco,"
was the man's response. "I asked two men
who did not have any tobacco, and the
third one gave me a chew."
"That's too thin," said the judge. "That's
an old excuse, and its about played out."
The prisoner was given ten days on the
farm and advised to leave the city when he gets out. Several others were tried and sent down.

NATIONAL GUARD FURNITURE.

Red Tape is Said to Have Tangled Up the Check. The first controller of the treasury has disallowed an item of \$345.80 in the ac-

counts of Gen. Ordway, commanding the District National Guard, for furniture purchased of W. B. Moses & Sons for the use of the National Guard. The furniture was purchased several years ago, but the bill was not rendered until July last. The District Commissioners approved the payment of the bill out of the appropriation act for 1894. The bill was paid by check in favor of W. B. Moses & Sons, the check being inof W. B. Moses & Sons, the check being in-dorsed by Gen. Ordway, and being retained by him to await the decision of the account-ing officers. The first controller was not satisfied with the character of the evidence furnished in support of the voucher and re-fused to allow the expenditure. As the mat-ter now stands, Gen. Ordway will, say some of the authorities, have to meet all the de-mands of the controller for the support of mands of the controller for the support of his accounts, or he will have to settle with the dealers in his private capacity. There is not even a suspicion of wrongdoing in the entire transaction, and the controversy arises over a simple question of what one of the parties calls a lot of "unnecessary red tape."

HUNG HOURS IN MIDAIR.

Fatal Disaster to a Knoxville Aerial Cable Car.

Longstreet Heights is the name of a beautiful tract of land south of the river and about two miles above the city of Knoxville, Tenn. Some gentlemen erected from the north bank of the river to a high bluff on the south side an aerial cable line.

Some gentlemen erected gestion, and in nine cases out of ten a single one will bring substantial relief in half an hear. Ripars Tabules are for sale by EDWARD P. MERTZ, P and 11th sts. n.w., Washington, D. C., and by describes are sale. and about two miles above the city of delphia, who is charged by the New York A car which would hold perhaps twenty and by druggists get cables five feet apart.

The car was making a trip yesterday afternoon, when within 100 feet of the bluff the drawing cable snapped in two between the car and the engine room and the car started back as if shot from a huge cannon. Near the center of the river and fully 200 feet above it its progress was suddenly checked as the broken end of the cable wound itself like a huge serpent around the car. It went crashing through the wooden car, only to wind itself around the wooden car, only to wind itself around and crush through its top again as if it were made of paper. There the car and passengers hung for nearly two hours while every minute the crowd increased until a thousand people lined the bank of the river. Employes seemed dazed, and it was some time before a long rope was secured. This was slipped down the cable to the car and a steamer anchored itself directly undera steamer anchored itself directly under-

The passengers were then let down one by one. Oliver Ledgerwood was fatally injured, his skull having been fractured by the cable in two places. He had gone with Miss Wardell, his fiancee, for the novel trip which ended so disastrously.



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